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report concerning Soviet Army activities at Bernau, Ravensbrueck and Biesenthal. The report gives the following information:

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MILITARYSOVIET ARMY ACTIVITY AT BERNAU, RAVENSBRUCK AND BIESENTHAL
(28 Jan - 15 Feb 57-BERNAU

1. In HAUS II of the Clothing [redacted] BERNAU, Schönefelder Weg, there are stored sacks of coat repairing material. The voucher for one of these sacks was made out for [redacted] the unit that despatched the sacks. 25X1

2. 11 Feb 57

In HAUS II [redacted] a despatch order [redacted] was received. The location of the unit concerned is not known. 25X1

3. In the Depot [redacted] all but 15 Germans have been dismissed. Nearly all of those dismissed were men who are now only employed as firemen or engine drivers.

4. 7 Feb 57

At 12.00 hrs. a train off-loaded the following equipment at BERNAU station:

- (a) 15 x Mod. 44, 100mm. A/tk guns towed by YA-12s.
- (b) [redacted]
- (c) 1 x W/T truck.
- (d) 6 x G Waggon with ammo. cases.
- (e) 6 x G Waggon with officers and men, black/red shds.

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5. On the inside of the shield of one of the Mod. 44, 100mm. A/tk guns was this sign:

oV = 117%

6. All 15 A/tk guns [redacted] 25X1

RAVENSBRUCK

7. The OC Clothing Depot FURSTENBERG-RAVENSBRUCK is now (Major) SCHULMIN and no longer (Major) MILZJEV. Major MILZJEV only took over for a short time and is not on the permanent staff of the Depot. *Firm East Ger*

8. In addition to the clothing repair works (VEB) BIESENTHAL, the clothing factory of Erich GRAHL, owner Fritz BIESEBERG, Fürstenberg (Havel), Karl-Reuss-Strasse 11/12 is also working for the Depot at RAVENSBRUCK.

BIESENTHAL *Firm East Germany*

9. The following transports arrived at the Fuel Depot BIESENTHAL:

1 Jan 57. At 14.30 hrs., 3 Cistern Waggon.
11 Feb 57. At 14.30 hrs., 3 Cistern Waggon.

10. 6 fuel tanks were seen in the Depot at VU.112.466 at the beginning of Feb 57. They were painted green, previously black. Next to the tanks pits have been dug of the same dimensions as the tanks so that it is presumed that they will be buried.

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11. 14 Feb 57

A tank unit stationed in BIESENTHAL received cleaning rags. [redacted]